

Council Memorandum

Date:	January 10, 2023
To:	Committee of the Whole
From:	Councillor Smeaton
Re:	Speed Limit Reduction of Pigeon Lake Road from Highway 36 to Weldon Road

Recommendation

That the Memorandum from Councillor Smeaton be received; and

That staff be requested to review the speed limit of Pigeon Lake Road from Highway 36 to Weldon Road for consideration of reducing maximum speed to 40km/hr, and report back with options, recommendations and budget implications by end of Q2, 2023; and

That this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Rationale

Where Pigeon Lake becomes 80km/hr, (heading East), it merges with Weldon Road (stop sign). This road is used by High School students twice per day, and remains a dangerous spot to accelerate from 0km/hr to 80km/hr as it creates panic for young drivers. While at the stop sign, it is also difficult to gauge the speed of traffic approaching Weldon Road.

Furthermore, it is in Human nature to accelerate faster than the speed suggests. Very few drivers abide by the signage. Many, if not most, are driving 80km/hr well before the actual speed limit change.



Please see the attachment in support of this memorandum.